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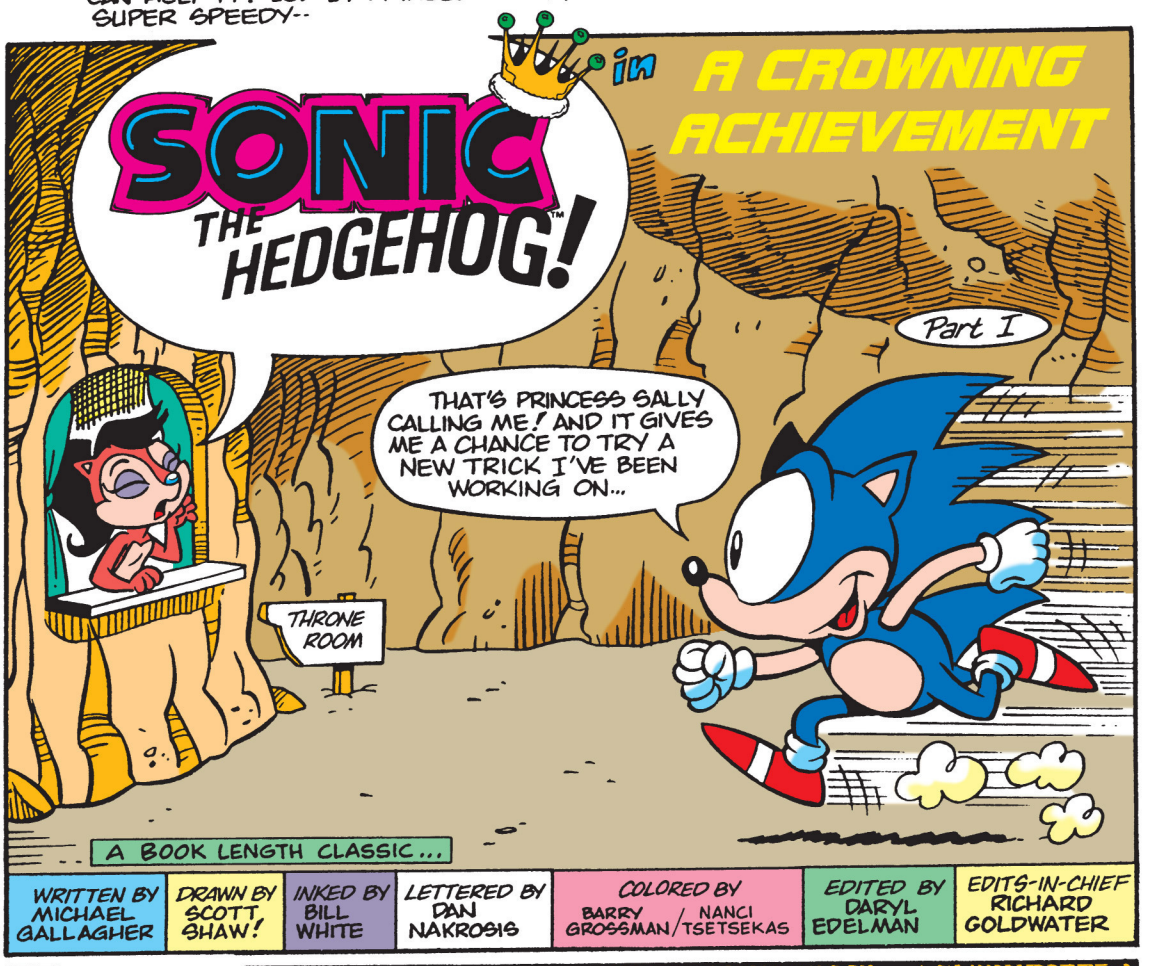
THE PLANET *MOBIUS* HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY THE EVIL INDUSTRIALIST, DR. ROBOTNIK, WHO INTENDS TO TURN EVERY LIVING BEING INTO A ROBOT! BUT NOT IF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS CAN HELP IT! LED BY Pprincess SALLY ACORN, THEIR BIGGEST GUN IS THE SUPER SPEEDY--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in
A CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT
Part I
THAT'S PRINCESS SALLY CALLING ME! AND IT GIVES ME A CHANCE TO TRY A NEW TRICK I'VE BEEN WORKING ON...
THRONE ROOM
A BOOK LENGTH CLASSIC...

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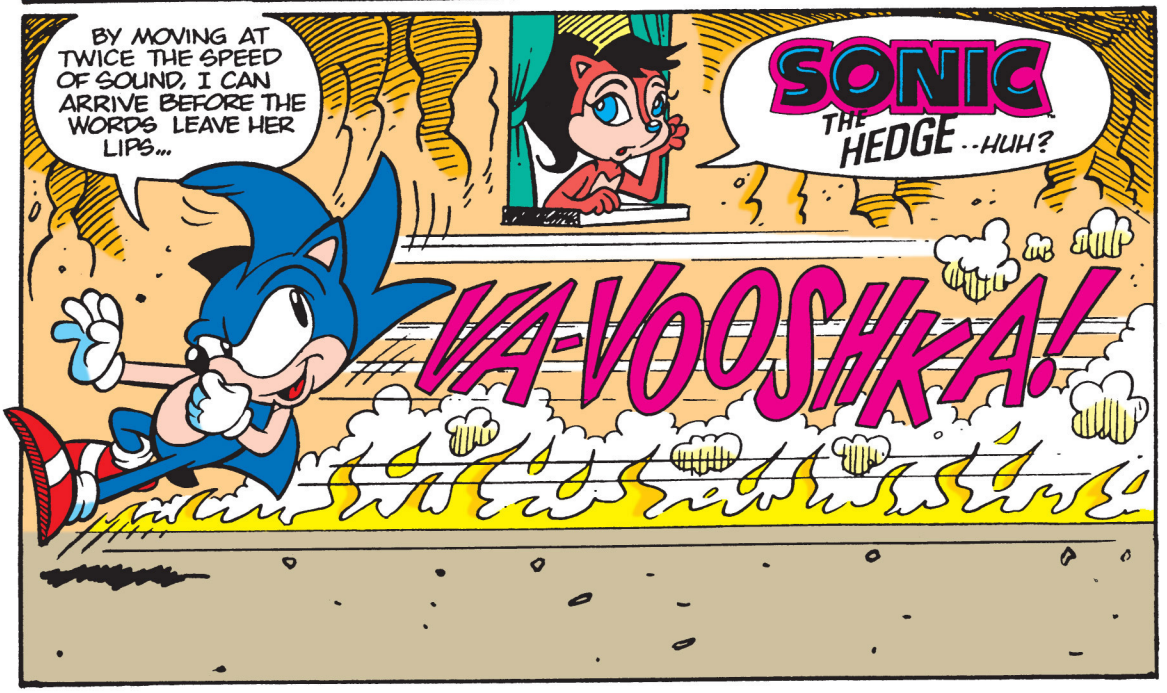
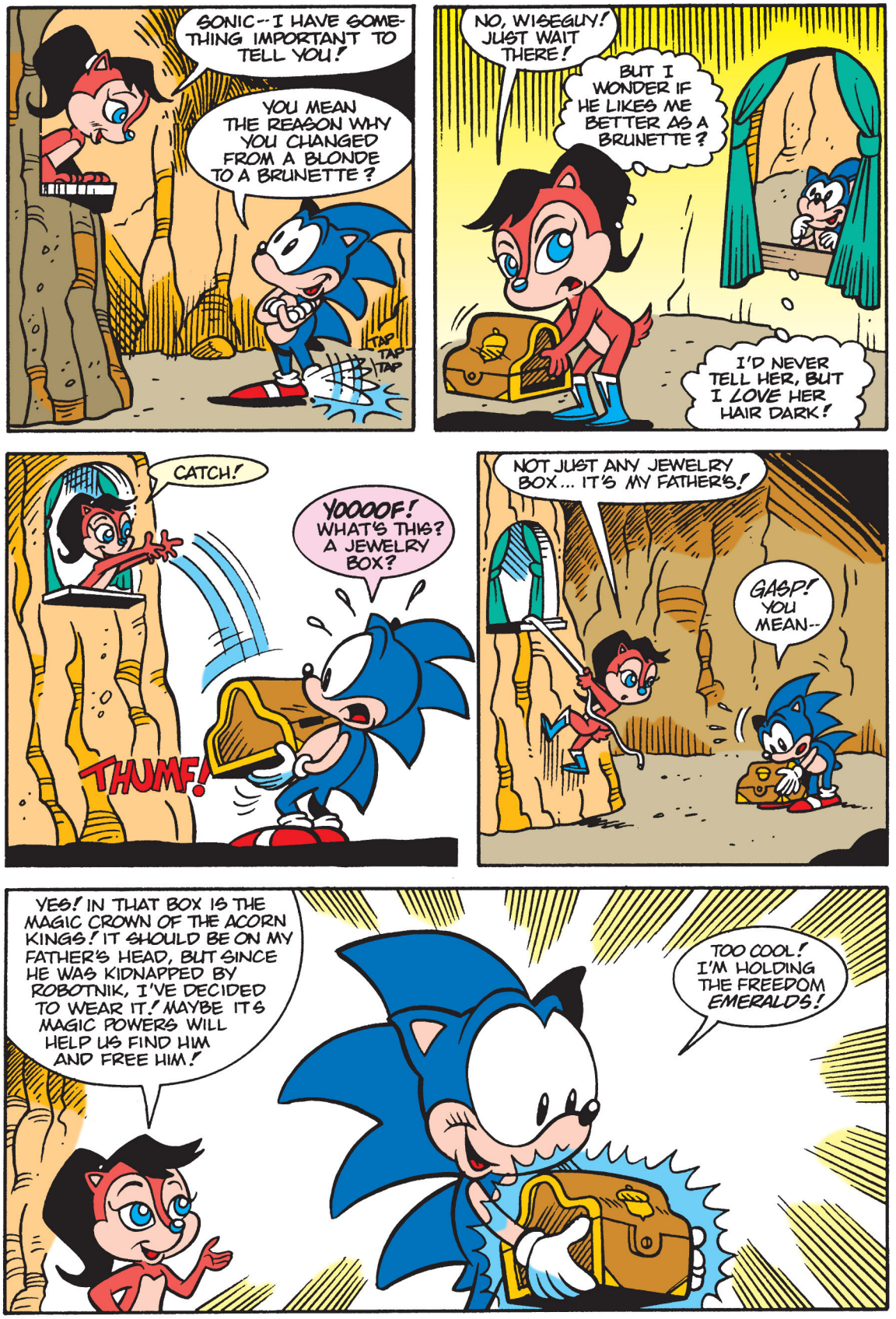
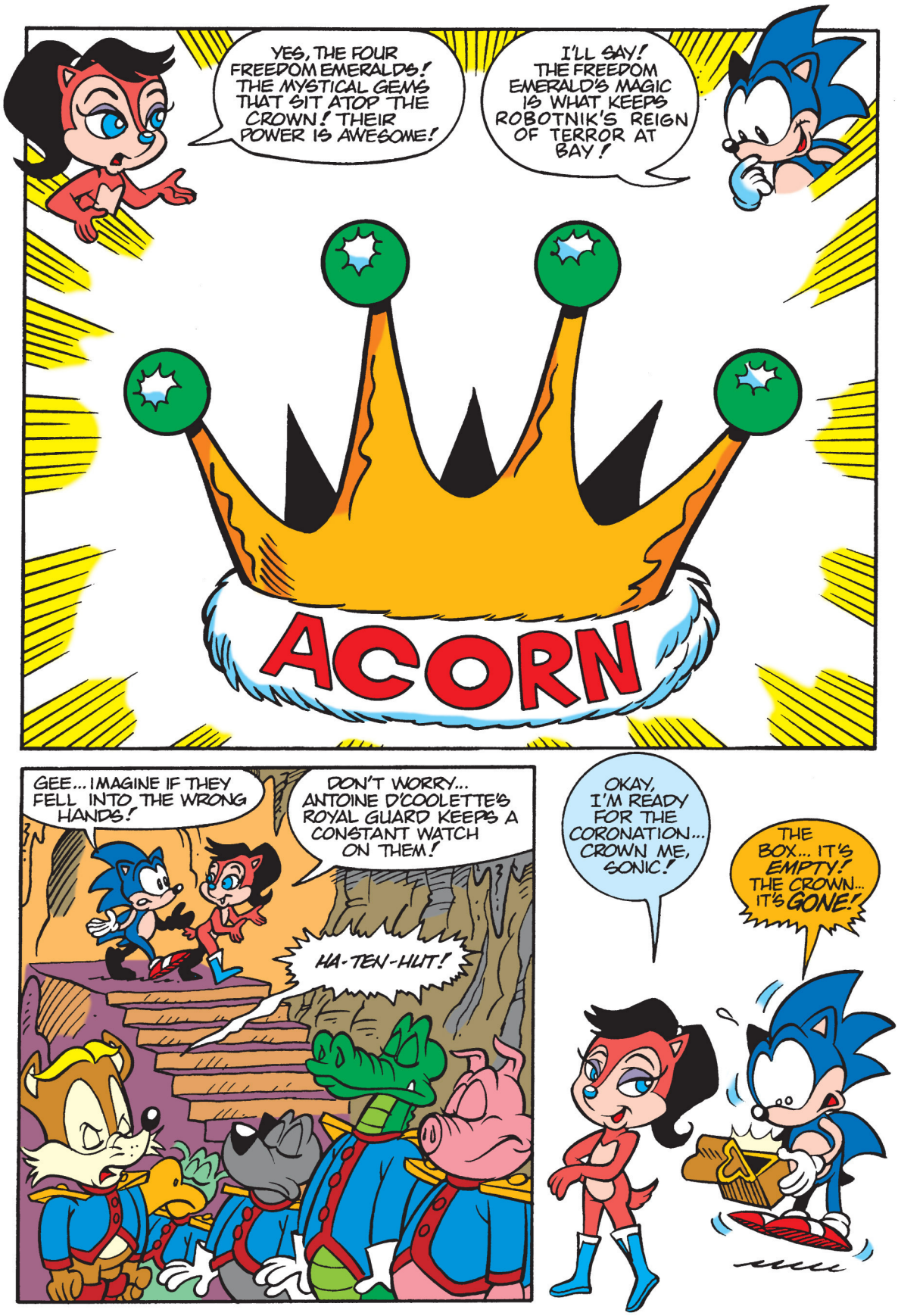
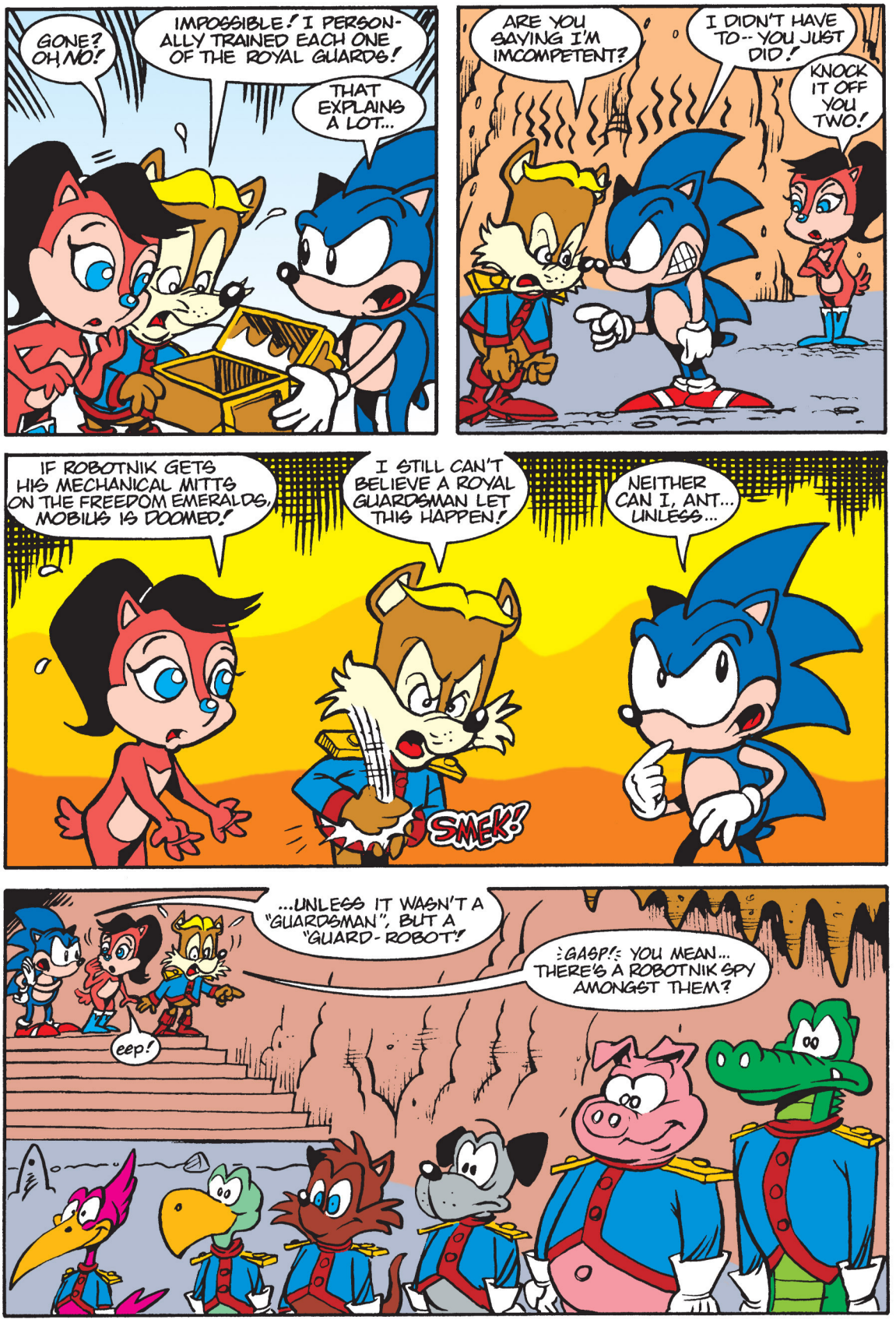
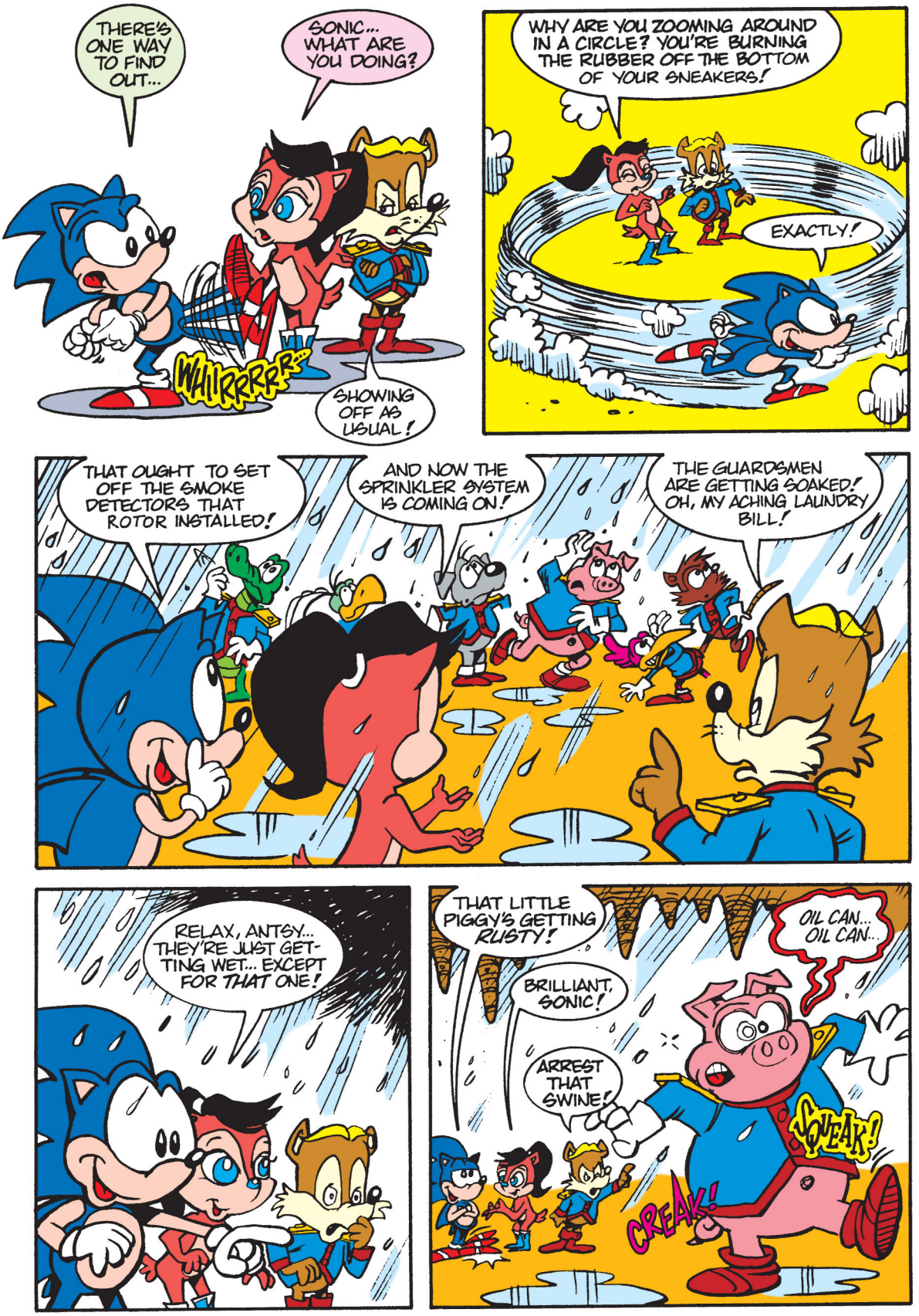



SONIC--I HAVE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO TELL YOU!
YOU MEAN THE REASON WHY YOU CHANGED FROM A BLONDE TO A BRUNETTE?
TAP TAP TAP
NO, WISEGUY! JUST WAIT THERE!
BUT I WONDER IF HE LIKES ME BETTER AS A BRUNETTE?
I'D NEVER TELL HER, BUT I LOVE HER HAIR DARK!
CATCH!
YOOOOF! WHAT'S THIS? A JEWELRY BOX?
THUMF!
NOT JUST ANY JEWELRY BOX... IT'S MY FATHER'S!
GASP! YOU MEAN--
YES! IN THAT BOX IS THE MAGIC CROWN OF THE ACORN KINGS! IT SHOULD BE ON MY FATHER'S HEAD, BUT SINCE HE WAS KIDNAPPED BY ROBOTNIK, I'VE DECIDED TO WEAR IT! MAYBE ITS MAGIC POWERS WILL HELP US FIND HIM AND FREE HIM!
TOO COOL! I'M HOLDING THE FREEDOM EMERALDS!


YES, THE FOUR FREEDOM EMERALDS! THE MYSTICAL GEMS THAT SIT ATOP THE CROWN! THEIR POWER IS AWESOME!
I'LL SAY! THE FREEDOM EMERALD'S MAGIC IS WHAT KEEPS ROBOTNIK'S REIGN OF TERROR AT BAY!
ACORN
GEE... I IMAGINE IF THEY FELL INTO THE WRONG HANDS!
DON'T WORRY... ANTOINE D'COOLETTE'S ROYAL GUARD KEEPS A CONSTANT WATCH ON THEM!
HA-TEN-HUT!
OKAY, I'M READY FOR THE CORONATION... CROWN ME, SONIC!
THE BOX... IT'S EMPTY! THE CROWN... IT'S GONE!


GONE? OH, NO!
IMPOSSIBLE! I PERSONALLY TRAINED EACH ONE OF THE ROYAL GUARDS!
THAT EXPLAINS A LOT...
ARE YOU SAYING I'M IMCOMPETENT?
I DIDN'T HAVE TO-- YOU JUST DID!
KNOCK IT OFF YOU TWO!
IF ROBOTNIK GETS HIS MECHANICAL MITTS ON THE FREEDOM EMERALDS, MOBIUS IS DOOMED!
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE A ROYAL GUARDSMAN LET THIS HAPPEN!
NEITHER CAN I, ANT... UNLESS...
SMEK!
...UNLESS IT WASN'T A "GUARDSMAN", BUT A "GUARD-ROBOT!"
:GASP!: YOU MEAN... THERE'S A ROBOTNIK SPY AMONGST THEM?
eep!


THERE'S ONE WAY TO FIND OUT...
SONIC... WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
WHIRRRRR...
SHOWING OFF AS USUAL!
WHY ARE YOU ZOOMING AROUND IN A CIRCLE? YOU'RE BURNING THE RUBBER OFF THE BOTTOM OF YOUR SNEAKERS!
EXACTLY!
THAT OUGHT TO SET OFF THE SMOKE DETECTORS THAT ROTOR INSTALLED!
AND NOW THE SPRINKLER SYSTEM IS COMING ON!
THE GUARDSMEN ARE GETTING SOAKED! OH, MY ACHING LAUNDRY BILL!
RELAX, ANTSY... THEY'RE JUST GETTING WET... EXCEPT FOR THAT ONE!
THAT LITTLE PIGGY'S GETTING RUSTY!
OIL CAN... OIL CAN...
BRILLIANT, SONIC!
ARREST THAT SWINE!
SQUEAK!
CREAK!

TELL US EVERYTHING YOU KNOW, ROBOT!
:SQUEAK: I KNOW YOU ARE :BZZZT!: ALL GONERS!
I'VE GIVEN THE FREEDOM EMERALDS TO MY MASTER, DR. ROBOTNIK! HE'S SCATTERED THEM TO THE FOUR CORNERS OF MOBIUS!
TOOT!
CRACKLE!
SNAP!
AND NOW, THANKS TO THIS TURNCOAT, ROBOTNIK KNOWS WHERE KNOTHOLE IS!
NOT TO WORRY, MON CAPITAN! IT WON'T BE HERE MUCH LONGER!
HISSSSSS...
HE LOOKS ANGRY ENOUGH TO EXPLODE!
:KOFF!:
THAT'S JUST WHAT HE'S GONNA DO! THE ROBOT'S INITIATED HIS SELF-DESTRUCT MECHANISM!
:CACKLE: -CHORTLE- :SNICKER: YOU'RE TOO LATE, HEDGEHOG!
HISSSSSSSS
GANGWAY, EVERYBODY!
KABOOM!
SONIC!
gasp!
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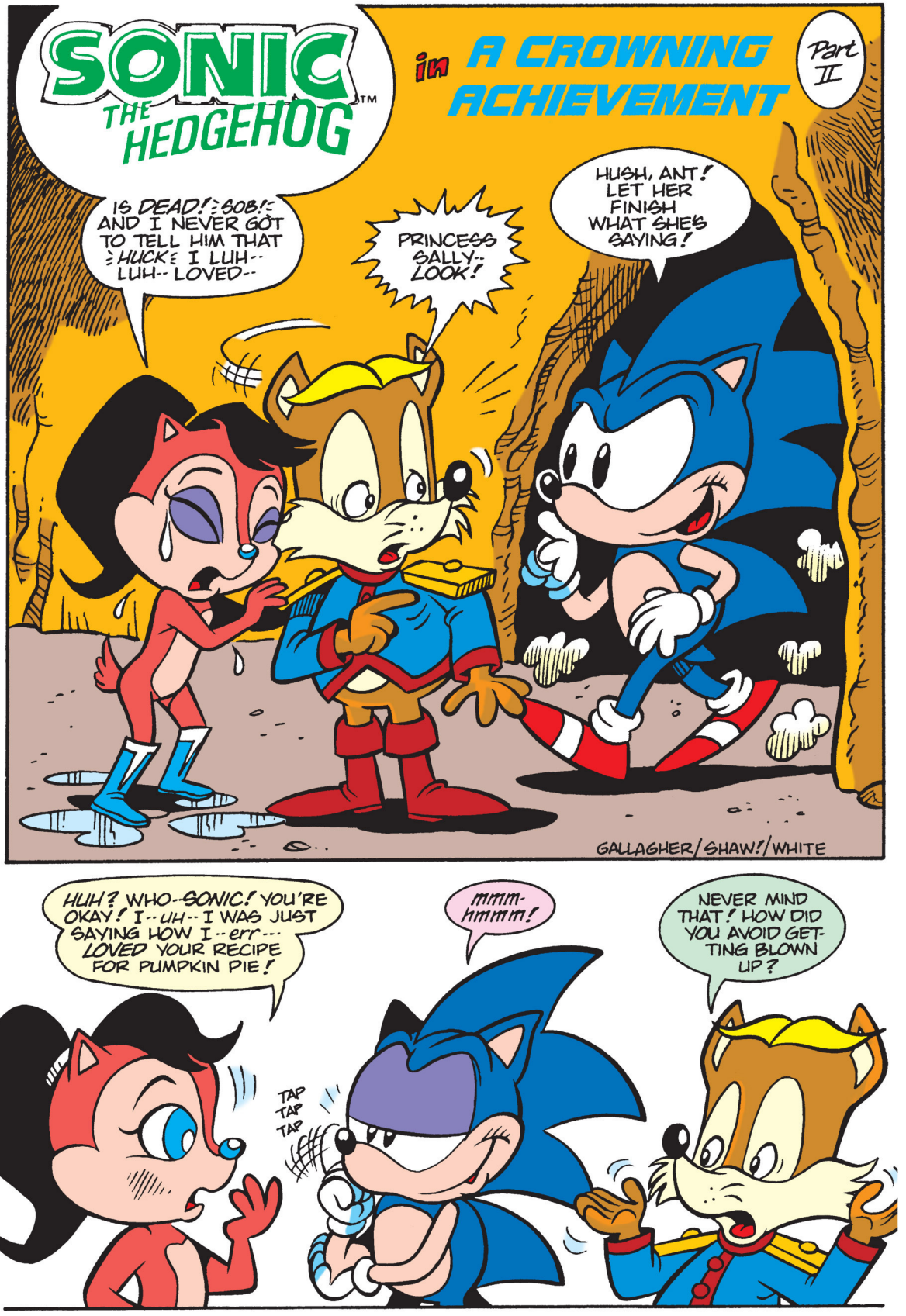
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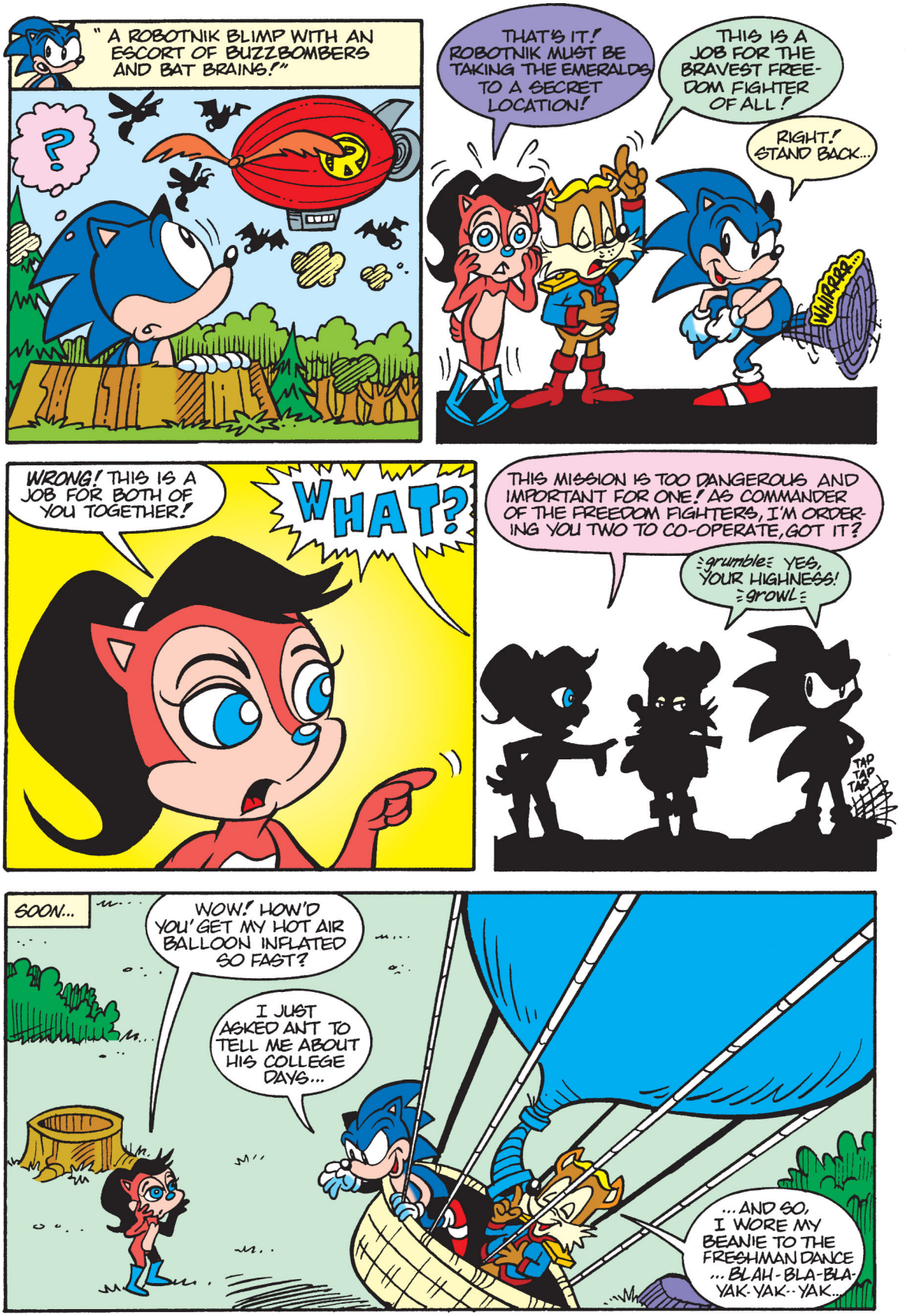
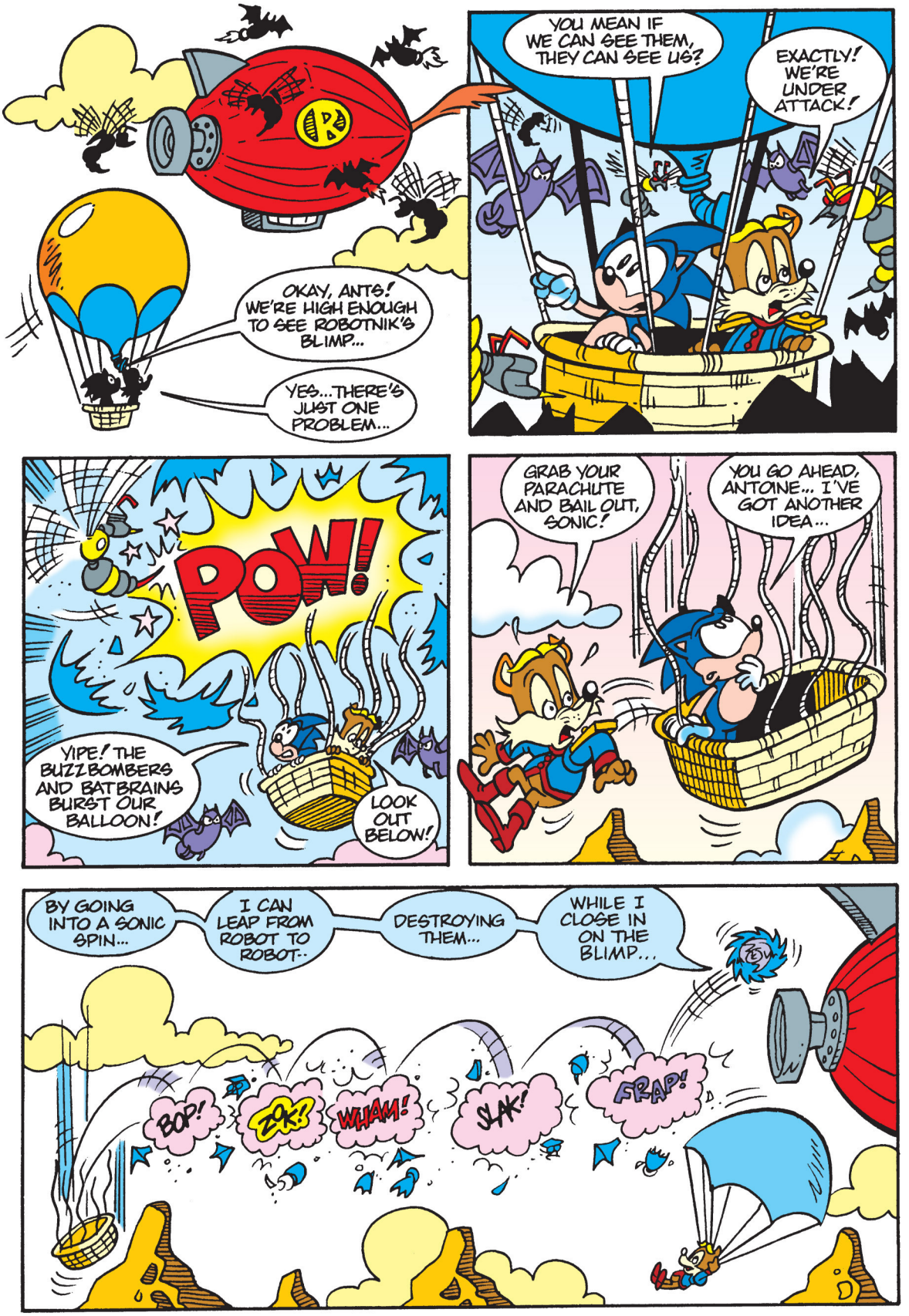
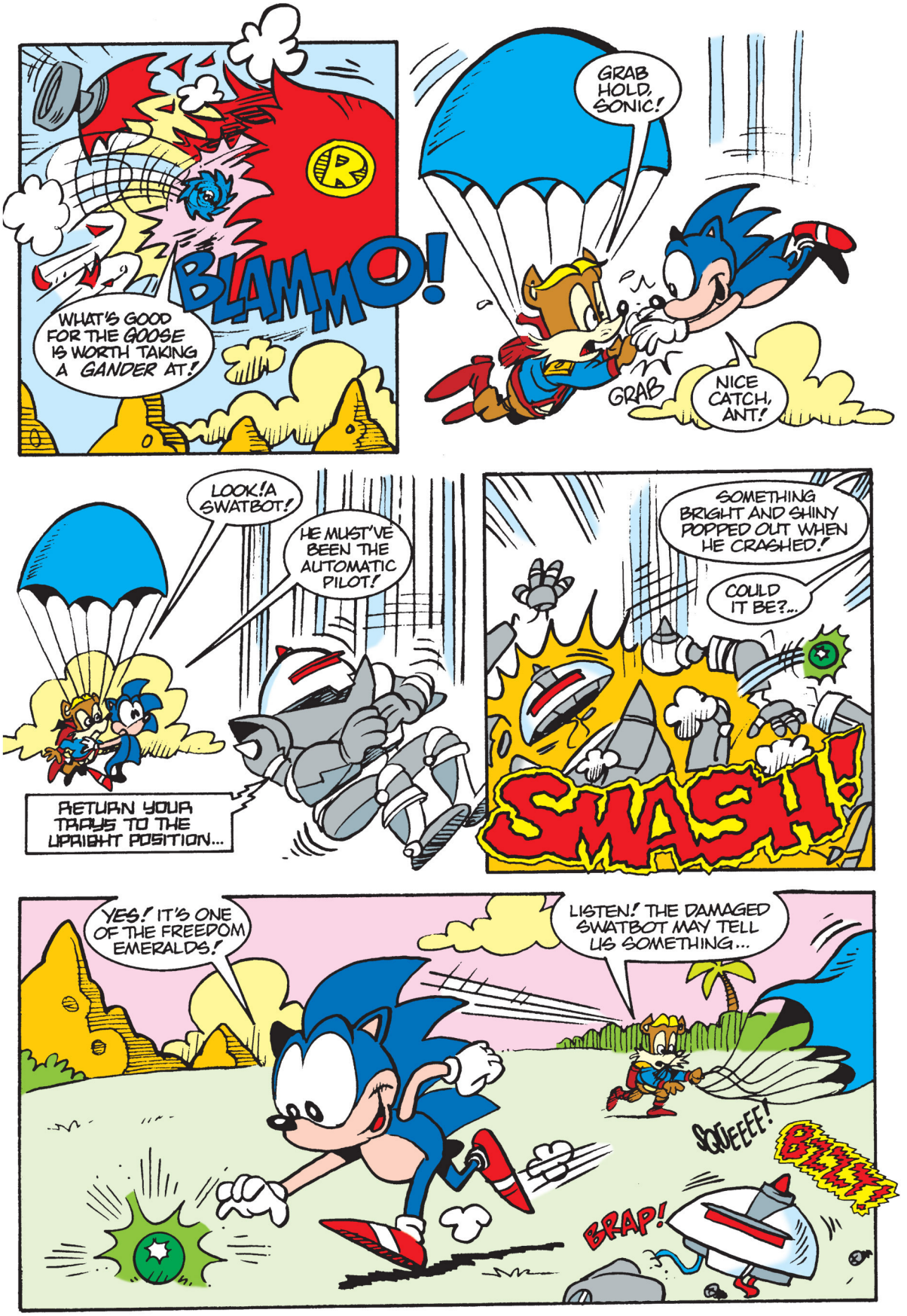
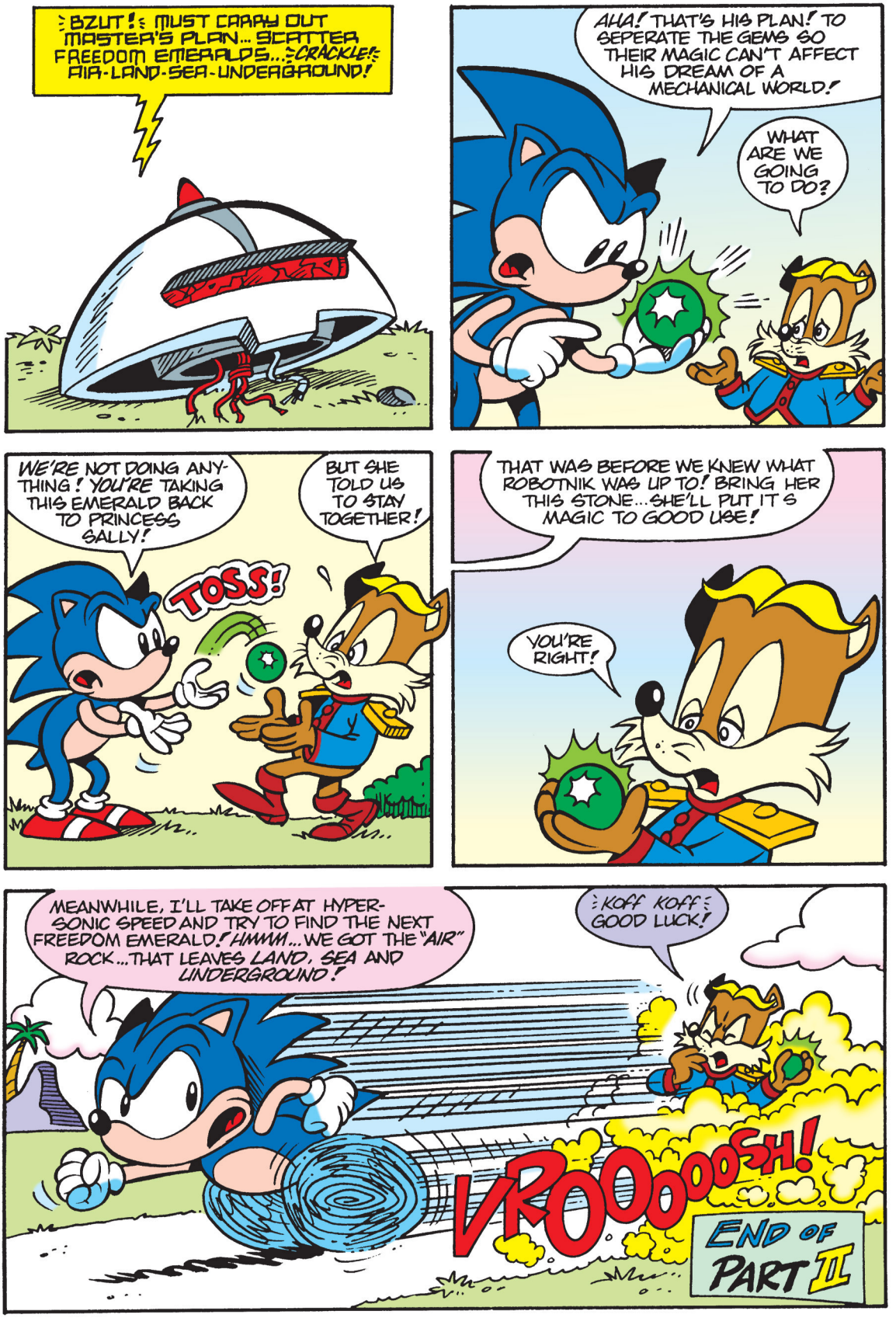
Part II
IS DEAD! :SOB!: AND I NEVER GOT TO TELL HIM THAT :HUCK: I LUH-- LUH-- LOVED--
PRINCESS SALLY-- LOOK!
HUSH, ANT! LET HER FINISH WHAT SHE'S SAYING!
GALLAGHER/SHAW!/WHITE
HUH? WHO--SONIC! YOU'RE OKAY! I--UH-- I WAS JUST SAYING HOW I--err--- LOVED YOUR RECIPE FOR PUMPKIN PIE!
TAP TAP TAP
mmm-hmmm!
NEVER MIND THAT! HOW DID YOU AVOID GETTING BLOWN UP?

WARP SONIC SPEED, ANTOINE! I ZOOMED THAT ROBOT UP THROUGH THE SECRET ENTRANCE TO KNOTHOLE IN RECORD TIME... JUST BEFORE HE WENT...
KA-BLOOEY!!
BWANG!
GOOD WORK, SONIC! YOU SAVED THE VILLAGE! OUR FIGHT AGAINST ROBOTNIK CAN CONTINUE!
YES, BUT WE MUST ACT QUICKLY AND RECOVER THE FREEDOM EMERALDS OR ALL WILL BE LOST!
YOU'RE RIGHT! AND I SAW SOMETHING VERY UNUSUAL UP ABOVE...


" A ROBOTNIK BLIMP WITH AN ESCORT OF BUZZBOMBERS AND BAT BRAINS!"
?
THAT'S IT! ROBOTNIK MUST BE TAKING THE EMERALDS TO A SECRET LOCATION!
THIS IS A JOB FOR THE BRAVEST FREEDOM FIGHTER OF ALL!
RIGHT! STAND BACK...
WHIRRRR...
WRONG! THIS IS A JOB FOR BOTH OF YOU TOGETHER!
WHAT?
THIS MISSION IS TOO DANGEROUS AND IMPORTANT FOR ONE! AS COMMANDER OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS, I'M ORDERING YOU TWO TO CO-OPERATE, GOT IT?
:grumble: YES, YOUR HIGHNESS! :growl:
TAP TAP TAP
SOON...
WOW! HOW'D YOU GET MY HOT AIR BALLOON INFLATED SO FAST?
I JUST ASKED ANT TO TELL ME ABOUT HIS COLLEGE DAYS...
...AND SO, I WORE MY BEANIE TO THE FRESHMAN DANCE ...BLAH-BLA-BLA-YAK-YAK--YAK...


OKAY, ANTS! WE'RE HIGH ENOUGH TO SEE ROBOTNIK'S BLIMP...
YES...THERE'S JUST ONE PROBLEM...
YOU MEAN IF WE CAN SEE THEM, THEY CAN SEE US?
EXACTLY! WE'RE UNDER ATTACK!
POW!
YIPE! THE BUZZBOMBERS AND BATBRAINS BURST OUR BALLOON!
LOOK OUT BELOW!
GRAB YOUR PARACHUTE AND BAIL OUT, SONIC!
YOU GO AHEAD, ANTOINE... I'VE GOT ANOTHER IDEA...
BY GOING INTO A SONIC SPIN...
I CAN LEAP FROM ROBOT TO ROBOT...
DESTROYING THEM...
WHILE I CLOSE IN ON THE BLIMP...
BOP!
ZOK!
WHAM!
SLAK!
FRAP!


BLAMMO!
WHAT'S GOOD FOR THE GOOSE IS WORTH TAKING A GANDER AT!
GRAB HOLD, SONIC!
GRAB
NICE CATCH, ANT!
LOOK! A SWATBOT!
HE MUST'VE BEEN THE AUTOMATIC PILOT!
RETURN YOUR TRAYS TO THE UPRIGHT POSITION...
SOMETHING BRIGHT AND SHINY POPPED OUT WHEN HE CRASHED!
COULD IT BE?...
SMASH!
YES! IT'S ONE OF THE FREEDOM EMERALDS!
LISTEN! THE DAMAGED SWATBOT MAY TELL US SOMETHING...
SQUEEEE!
BZZZT!
BRAP!


:BZUT!: MUST CARRY OUT MASTER'S PLAN... SCATTER FREEDOM EMERALDS...:CRACKLE!: AIR-LAND-SEA-UNDERGROUND!
AHA! THAT'S HIS PLAN! TO SEPERATE THE GEMS SO THEIR MAGIC CAN'T AFFECT HIS DREAM OF A MECHANICAL WORLD!
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?
WE'RE NOT DOING ANY-THING! YOU'RE TAKING THIS EMERALD BACK TO PRINCESS SALLY!
BUT SHE TOLD US TO STAY TOGETHER!
TOSS!
THAT WAS BEFORE WE KNEW WHAT ROBOTNIK WAS UP TO! BRING HER THIS STONE... SHE'LL PUT IT'S MAGIC TO GOOD USE!
YOU'RE RIGHT!
MEANWHILE, I'LL TAKE OFF AT HYPER-SONIC SPEED AND TRY TO FIND THE NEXT FREEDOM EMERALD! HMMM... WE GOT THE "AIR" ROCK... THAT LEAVES LAND, SEA AND UNDERGROUND!
:KOFF KOFF: GOOD LUCK!
VROOOOOSH!
END OF PART II

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IN
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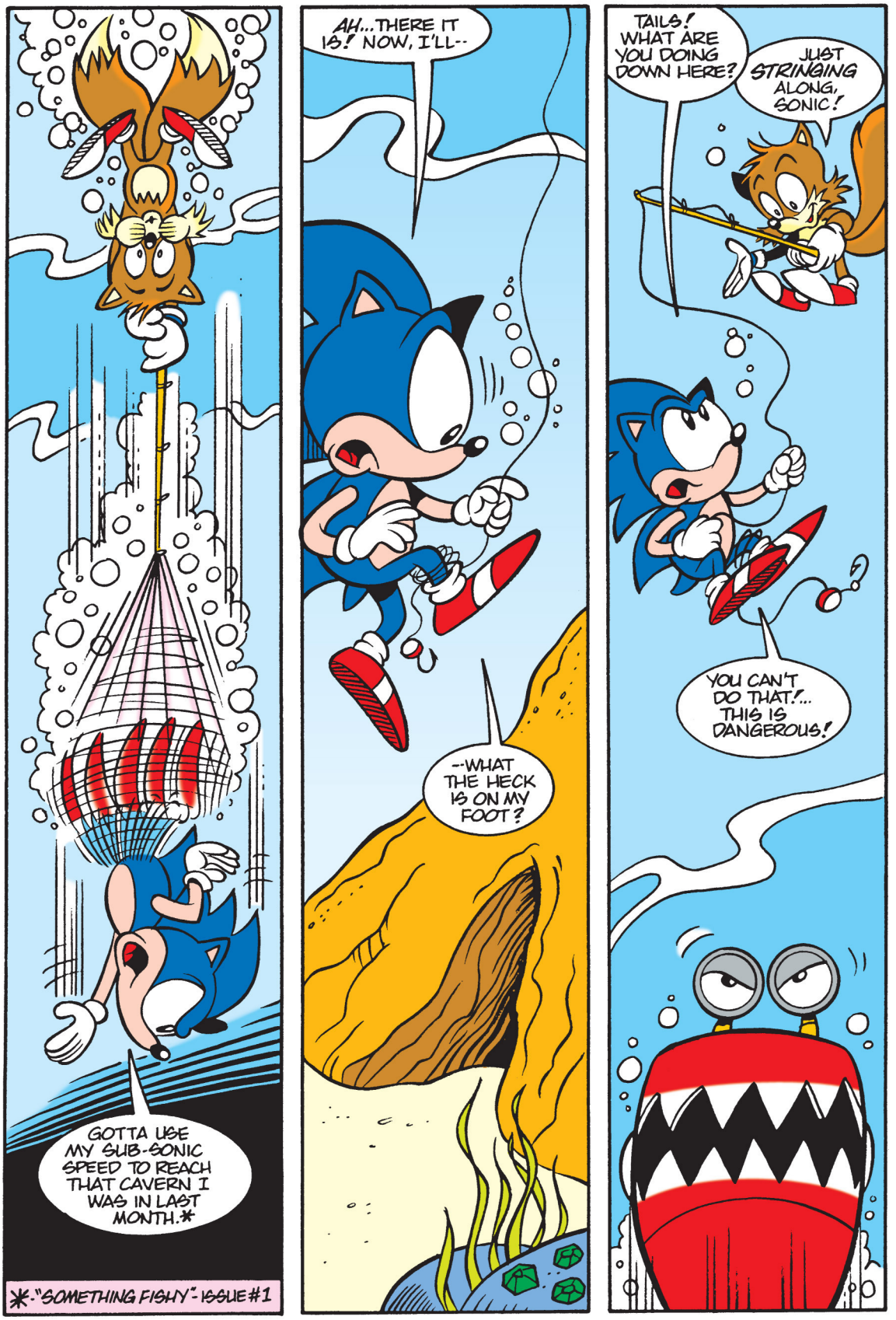
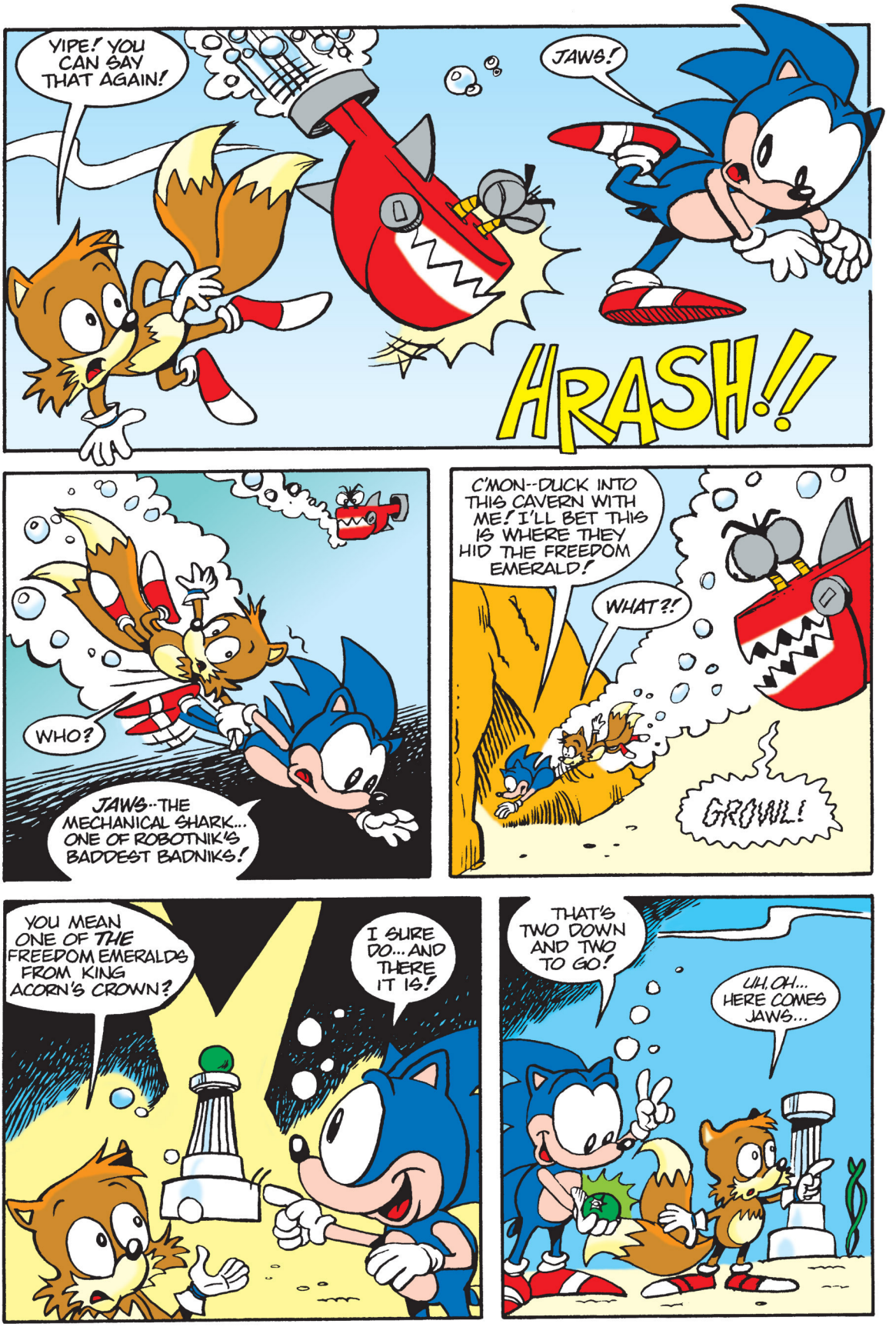
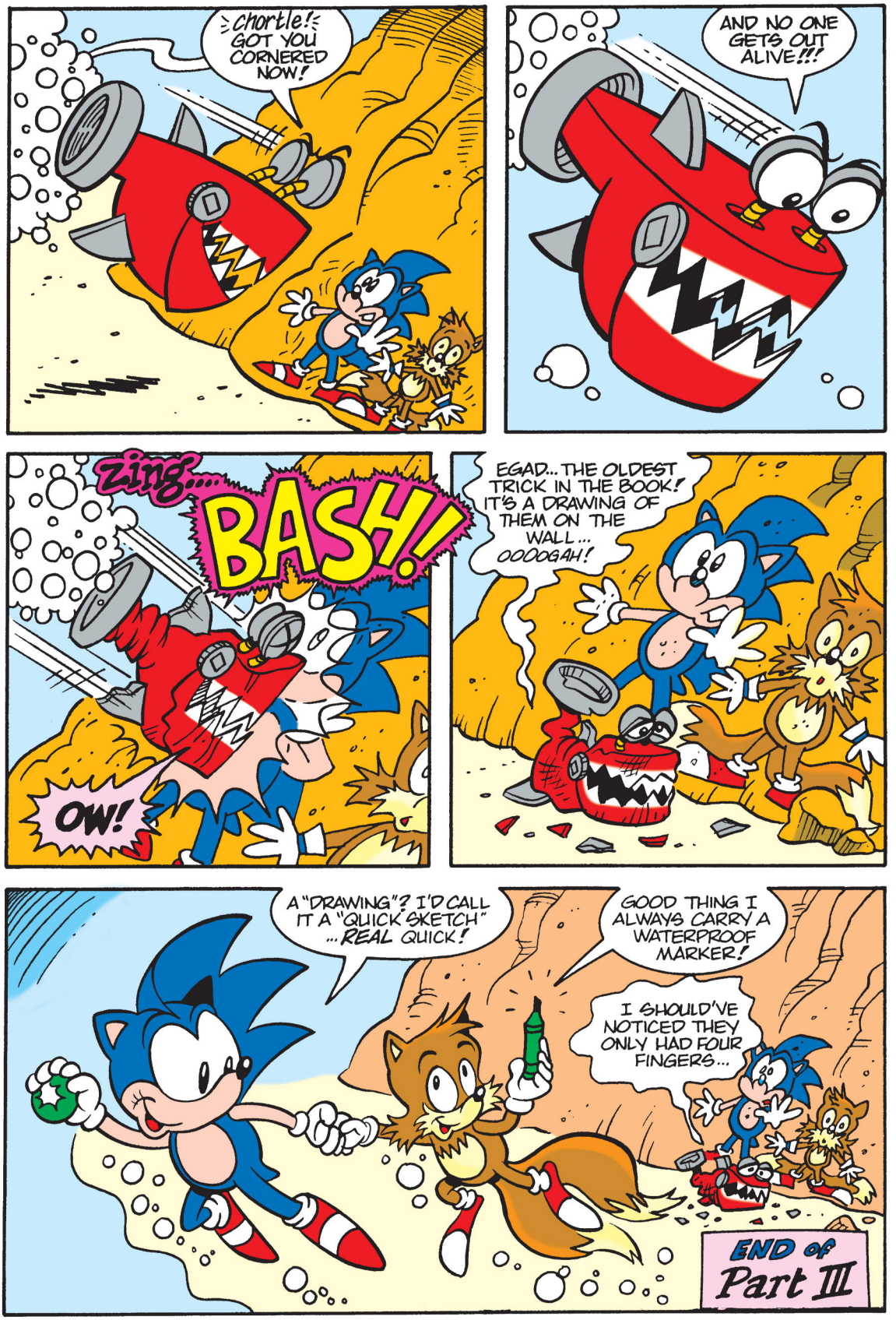
Part III
MY HERO!
HIYA, TAILS! SORRY I CAN'T STAY AND CHAT, BUT I'M GOING ON AN UNDER-WATER MISSION...
THE OL' FISHIN' HOLE
GALLAGHER/ SHAW!/WHITE
WHOA!!
IT LOOKS LIKE I'M GOING TOO... LIKE IT OR NOT!
SPLOOT!
Shzz!


GOTTA USE MY SUB-SONIC SPEED TO REACH THAT CAVERN I WAS IN LAST MONTH.*
*-"SOMETHING FISHY"- ISSUE #1
AH...THERE IT IS! NOW, I'LL--
--WHAT THE HECK IS ON MY FOOT?
TAILS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING DOWN HERE?
JUST STRINGING ALONG, SONIC!
YOU CAN'T DO THAT!... THIS IS DANGEROUS!


YIPE! YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN!
JAWS!
HRASH!!
WHO?
JAWS--THE MECHANICAL SHARK... ONE OF ROBOTNIK'S BADDEST BADNIKS!
C'MON--DUCK INTO THIS CAVERN WITH ME! I'LL BET THIS IS WHERE THEY HID THE FREEDOM EMERALD!
WHAT?!
GROWL!
YOU MEAN ONE OF THE FREEDOM EMERALDS FROM KING ACORN'S CROWN?
I SURE DO... AND THERE IT IS!
THAT'S TWO DOWN AND TWO TO GO!
UH, OH... HERE COMES JAWS...


Chortle! GOT YOU CORNERED NOW!
AND NO ONE GETS OUT ALIVE!!!
Zing....
BASH!
OW!
EGAD... THE OLDEST TRICK IN THE BOOK! IT'S A DRAWING OF THEM ON THE WALL... OOOOGAH!
A "DRAWING"? I'D CALL IT A "QUICK SKETCH" ...REAL QUICK!
GOOD THING I ALWAYS CARRY A WATERPROOF MARKER!
I SHOULD'VE NOTICED THEY ONLY HAD FOUR FINGERS...
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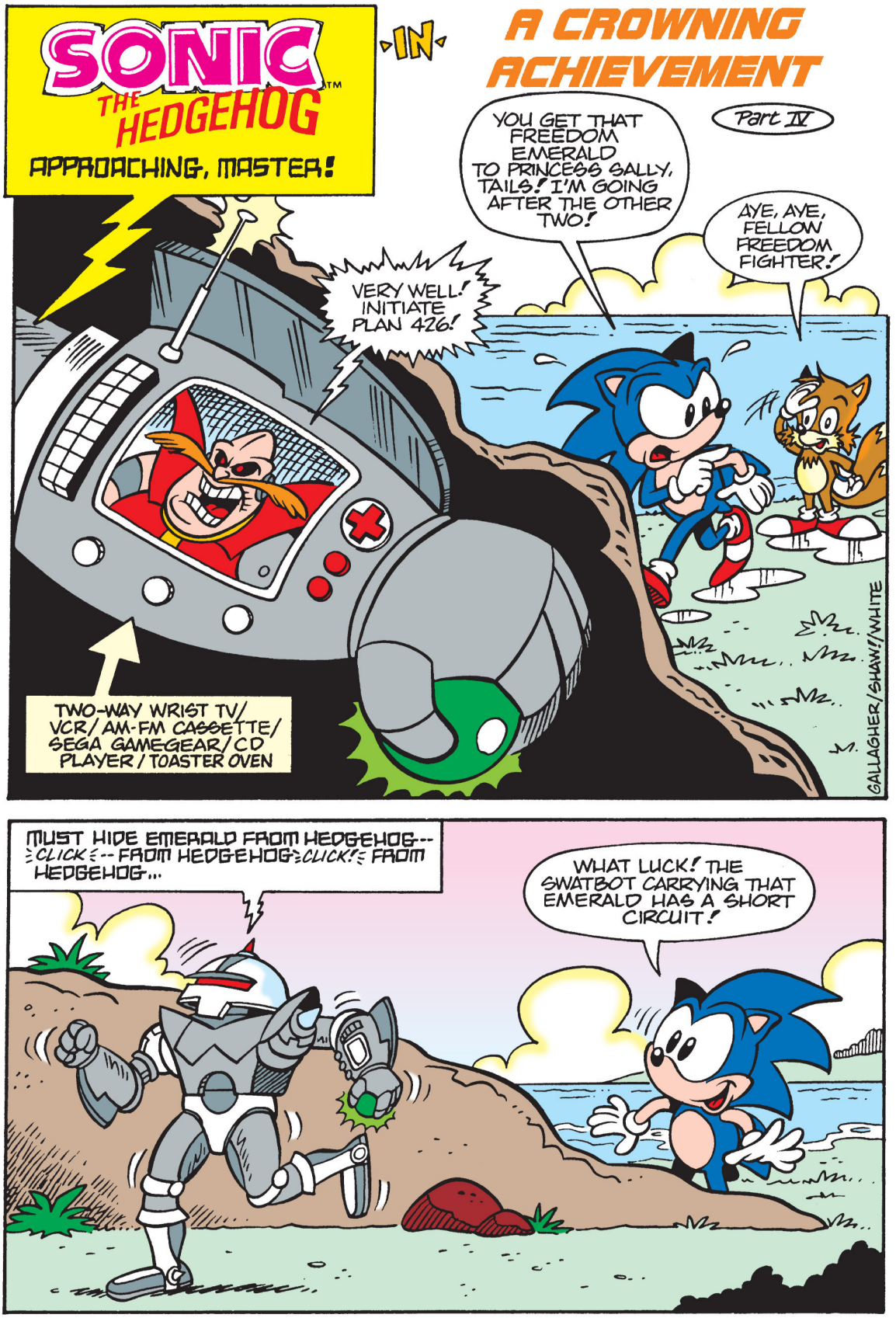
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APPROACHING, MASTER!
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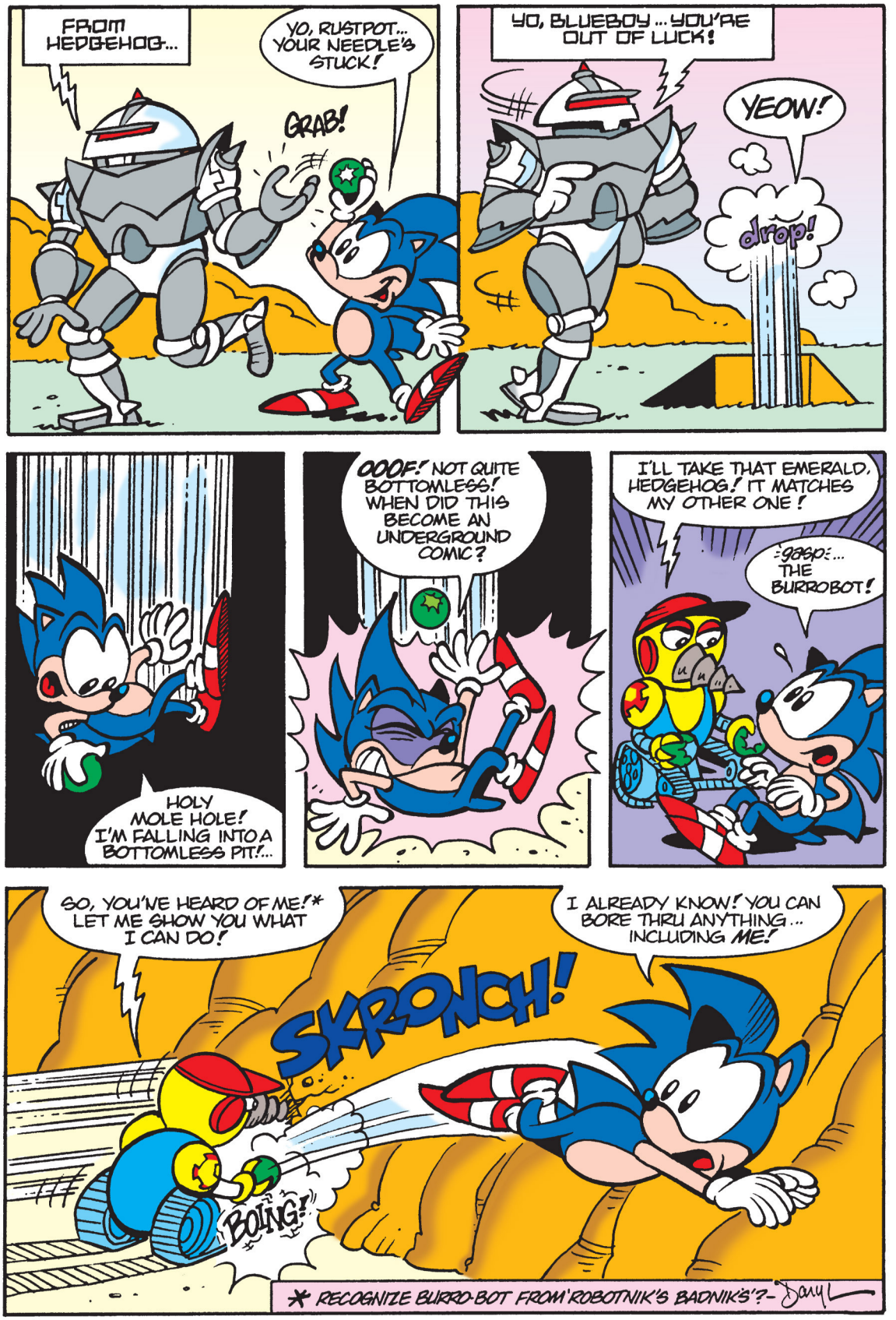
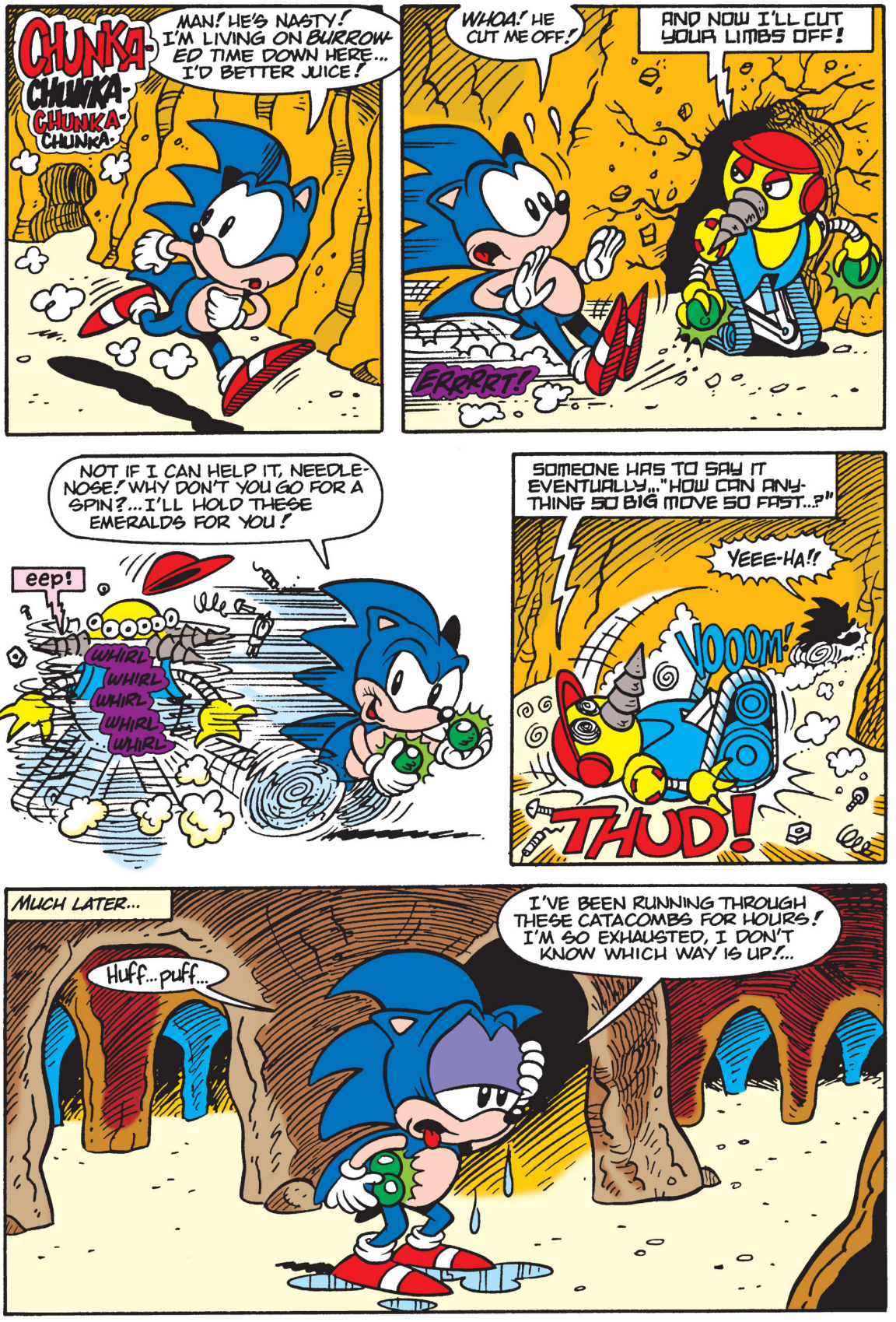
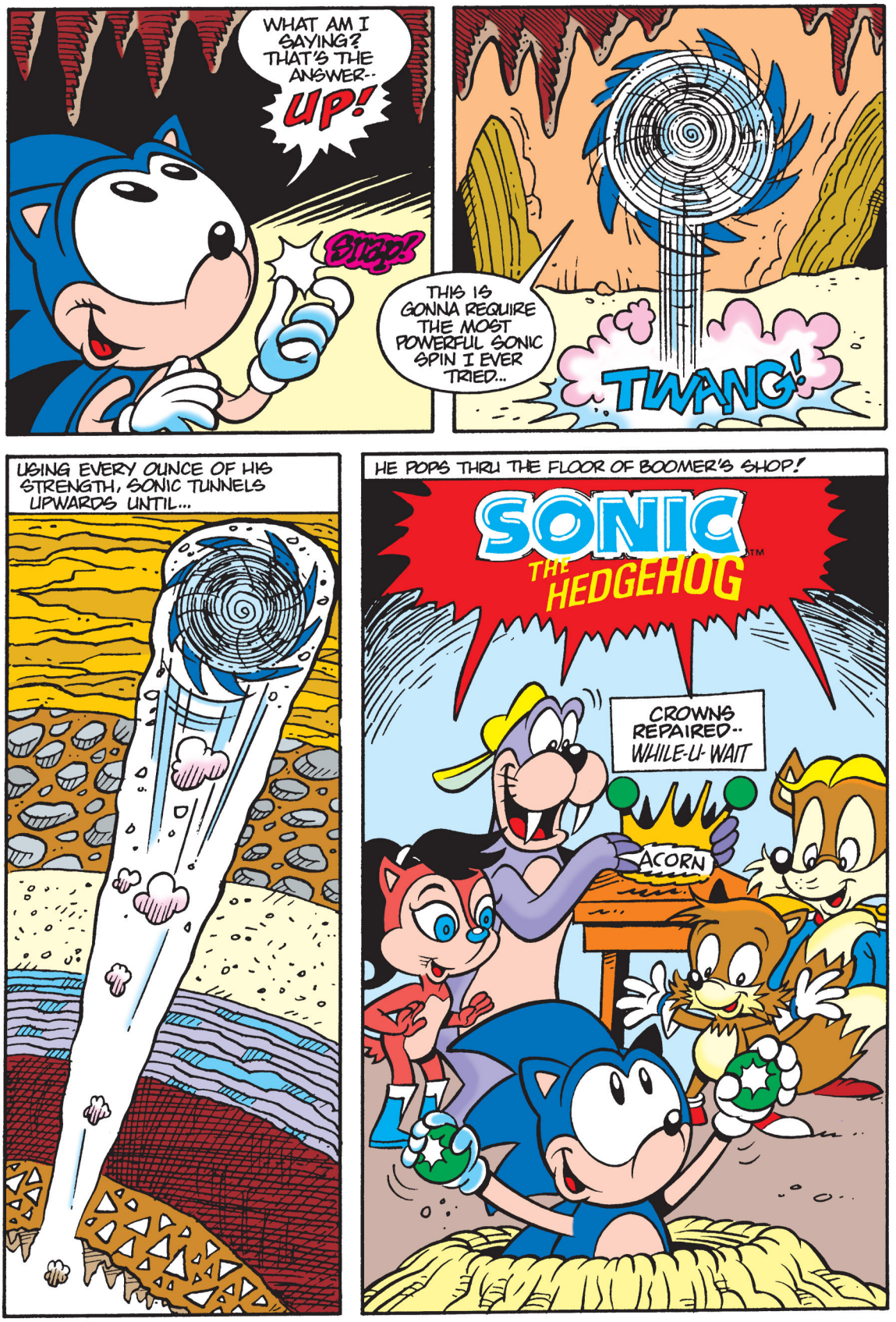
Part IV
YOU GET THAT FREEDOM EMERALD TO PRINCESS SALLY, TAILS! I'M GOING AFTER THE OTHER TWO!
AYE, AYE, FELLOW FREEDOM FIGHTER!
VERY WELL! INITIATE PLAN 426!
TWO-WAY WRIST TV/ VCR/ AM-FM CASSETTE/ SEGA GAMEGEAR/ CD PLAYER/ TOASTER OVEN
GALLAGHER/SHAW!/WHITE
MUST HIDE EMERALD FROM HEDGEHOG--- CLICK -- FROM HEDGEHOG CLICK! FROM HEDGEHOG...
WHAT LUCK! THE SWATBOT CARRYING THAT EMERALD HAS A SHORT CIRCUIT!


FROM HEDGEHOG...
YO, RUSTPOT... YOUR NEEDLE'S STUCK!
GRAB!
YO, BLUEBOY... YOU'RE OUT OF LUCK!
YEOW!
drop!
HOLY MOLE HOLE! I'M FALLING INTO A BOTTOMLESS PIT!...
OOOF! NOT QUITE BOTTOMLESS! WHEN DID THIS BECOME AN UNDERGROUND COMIC?
I'LL TAKE THAT EMERALD, HEDGEHOG! IT MATCHES MY OTHER ONE!
:GASP:... THE BURROBOT!
SO, YOU'VE HEARD OF ME!* LET ME SHOW YOU WHAT I CAN DO!
I ALREADY KNOW! YOU CAN BORE THRU ANYTHING... INCLUDING ME!
SKRONCH!
BOING!
* RECOGNIZE BURRO-BOT FROM 'ROBOTNIK'S BADNIKS'?-


CHUNKA-CHUNKA-CHUNKA-CHUNKA-
MAN! HE'S NASTY! I'M LIVING ON BURROWED TIME DOWN HERE... I'D BETTER JUICE!
WHOA! HE CUT ME OFF!
AND NOW I'LL CUT YOUR LIMBS OFF!
ERRRRT!
NOT IF I CAN HELP IT, NEEDLE-NOSE! WHY DON'T YOU GO FOR A SPIN?... I'LL HOLD THESE EMERALDS FOR YOU!
eep!
WHIRL WHIRL WHIRL WHIRL WHIRL
SOMEONE HAS TO SAY IT EVENTUALLY..."HOW CAN ANYTHING SO BIG MOVE SO FAST..?"
YEEE-HA!!
VOOOM!
THUD!
MUCH LATER...
Huff... puff...
I'VE BEEN RUNNING THROUGH THESE CATACOMBS FOR HOURS! I'M SO EXHAUSTED, I DON'T KNOW WHICH WAY IS UP!...


WHAT AM I SAYING? THAT'S THE ANSWER--
UP!
SPIN!
THIS IS GONNA REQUIRE THE MOST POWERFUL SONIC SPIN I EVER TRIED...
TWANG!
USING EVERY OUNCE OF HIS STRENGTH, SONIC TUNNELS UPWARDS UNTIL...
HE POPS THRU THE FLOOR OF BOOMER'S SHOP!
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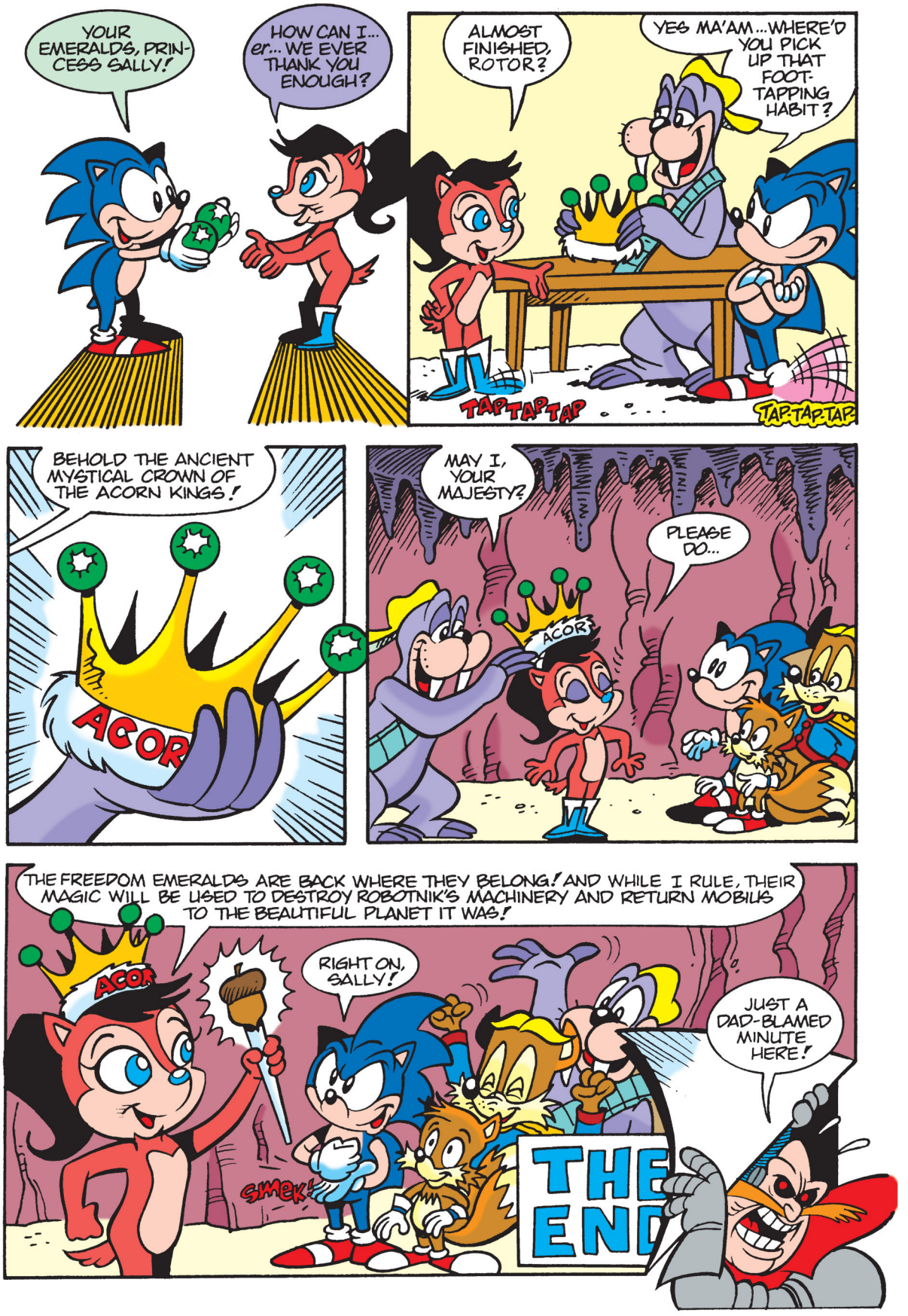
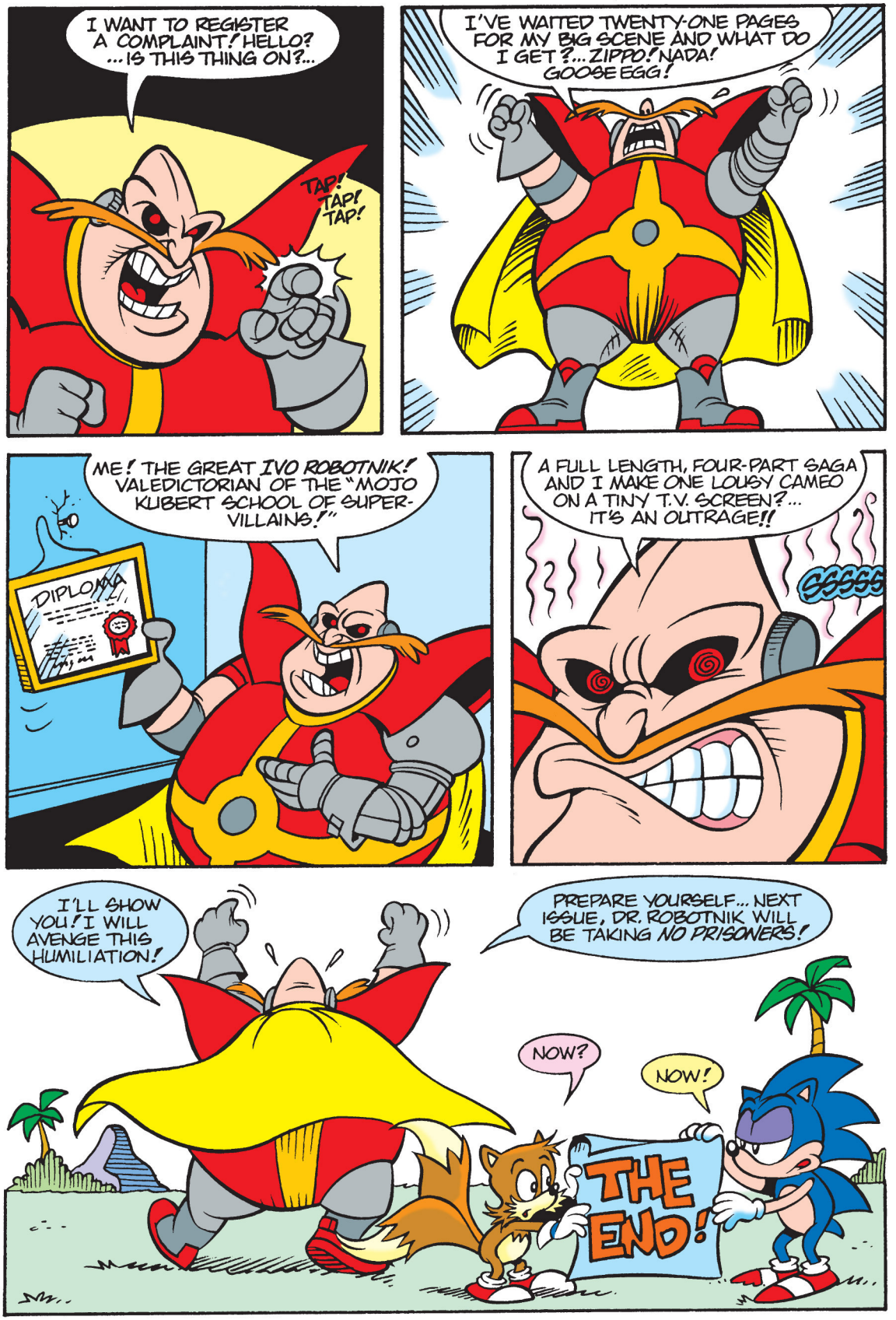
CROWNS REPAIRED-- WHILE-U-WAIT
ACORN


YOUR EMERALDS, PRINCESS SALLY!
HOW CAN I... er... WE EVER THANK YOU ENOUGH?
ALMOST FINISHED, ROTOR?
YES MA'AM...WHERE'D YOU PICK UP THAT FOOT-TAPPING HABIT?
TAP TAP TAP
TAP-TAP-TAP
BEHOLD THE ANCIENT MYSTICAL CROWN OF THE ACORN KINGS!
ACOR
MAY I, YOUR MAJESTY?
PLEASE DO...
ACOR
THE FREEDOM EMERALDS ARE BACK WHERE THEY BELONG! AND WHILE I RULE, THEIR MAGIC WILL BE USED TO DESTROY ROBOTNIK'S MACHINERY AND RETURN MOBIUS TO THE BEAUTIFUL PLANET IT WAS!
ACOR
RIGHT ON, SALLY!
SMEK!
JUST A DAD-BLAMED MINUTE HERE!
THE END


I WANT TO REGISTER A COMPLAINT! HELLO? ...IS THIS THING ON?...
TAP! TAP! TAP!
I'VE WAITED TWENTY-ONE PAGES FOR MY BIG SCENE AND WHAT DO I GET?... ZIPPO! NADA! GOOSE EGG!
ME! THE GREAT IVO ROBOTNIK! VALEDICTORIAN OF THE "MOJO KUBERT SCHOOL OF SUPER-VILLAINS!"
DIPLOMA
A FULL LENGTH, FOUR-PART SAGA AND I MAKE ONE LOUSY CAMEO ON A TINY T.V. SCREEN?... IT'S AN OUTRAGE!!
GGGGG
I'LL SHOW YOU! I WILL AVENGE THIS HUMILIATION!
PREPARE YOURSELF... NEXT ISSUE, DR. ROBOTNIK WILL BE TAKING NO PRISONERS!
NOW?
NOW!
THE END!